



SC Annual District Report Card Summary

BEAUFORT COUNTY School District
Grades: PK-12 Enrollment: 20,755
Superintendent: Dr. Jeffrey Moss
Board Chair: Bill Evans

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	B	N/A
2013	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	B	N/A
2012	Average	Good	N/A	N/A	B	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
15	2	0	0	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

SC PASS

SC PASS	2014 Reading	2014 Math	2014 Science	2014 Social Studies	2014 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above
District	72.0%	73.4%	68.1%	73.7%	76.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	75.5%	73.4%	71.1%	76.4%	77.5%
Average District	73.9%	72.3%	70.2%	75.9%	76.2%

SC PASS

SC PASS	2014 Reading	2014 Math	2014 Science	2014 Social Studies	2014 Writing
	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary
District	41.4%	40.2%	23.5%	32.7%	38.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	43.3%	36.6%	25.8%	36.6%	39.4%
Average District	42.4%	36.6%	26.6%	37.5%	38.6%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests	Passed 1 Subtest	Passed No Subtests
District	81.5%	12.0%	6.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	79.5%	13.3%	7.2%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2014 (%)

District	92.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	92.9%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	78.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	79.7%

On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	78.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	80.0%

** Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

NAEP*

*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.

Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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BEAUFORT COUNTY School District

DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n = 20,755)				
Retention Rate	2.4%	Up from 1.7%	1.6%	2.1%
Attendance Rate	96.7%	Up from 96.5%	96.5%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	18.6%	Down from 19.1%	17.4%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	9.3%	Down from 9.6%	12.1%	13.1%
Older than usual for grade	3.5%	Down from 3.7%	3.8%	4.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.6%	Up from 1.2%	0.7%	0.7%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	45.4%	Down from 51.1%	21.8%	15.7%
Successful on AP/IB exams	51.0%	Up from 47.7%	51.0%	51.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	31.1%	Down from 33.6%	46.8%	31.1%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	729	Up from 160	158	115
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	118	Down from 160	53	31
Annual dropout rate	3.8%	Up from 2.4%	2.8%	2.3%
Teachers (n = 1,480)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	63.0%	Down from 63.1%	61.7%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	62.4%	Down from 71.1%	81.8%	79.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.3%	Up from 87.9%	91.7%	90.1%
Teacher attendance rate	94.8%	Up from 94.5%	95.4%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,909	Down 0.2%	\$49,086	\$47,169
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.7%	Up from 0.4%	0.1%	0.1%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	11.0%	Up from 7.0%	1.9%	4.2%
Professional development days/teacher	11.8 days	Down from 14.1 days	11.2 days	11.1 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	1.0	No change	5.0	5.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.4 to 1	Down from 22.6 to 1	21.0 to 1	20.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.6%	Up from 89.2%	90.7%	90.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$10,726	Up 2.1%	\$8,754	\$9,403
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	53.2%	Up from 52.0%	55.3%	52.6%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	57.2%	Up from 56.0%	58.3%	55.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	31	No change	19	9
Portable classrooms	4.2%	Down from 5.7%	1.1%	0.8%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	28.0	No change	16.0	9.0
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No change	99.4%	100.0%
Average administrator salary	\$84,315	Up 0.0%	\$79,639	\$79,777
Number of charter schools	2	No change	0	0
ESEA composite index score	83	Up from 82.1	85.8	79.5
* Length of contract = 185+ days.		**Prior year audited financial data available.		

RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	SC PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	ESEA Grade
RIVERVIEW CHARTER SCHOOL (ELEM.)	E	E	A
RIVERVIEW CHARTER SCHOOL (MIDDLE)	E	E	A

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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Beaufort County School District Family:

Our schools have made dramatic progress, with across-the-board improvements in student achievement and significant savings from more efficient operations.

The 2013-14 school year saw continued improvements. For the first time, 100 percent of the district’s schools were rated Excellent, Good or Average on state 2013 School Report Cards, up from 59 percent five years ago. Eight schools were rated Excellent.

Two-thirds of our schools rated an A or B on 2013 federal accountability reports released by the South Carolina Department of Education. The district’s overall grade was B.

Our high school students improved their exit exam performances to all-time highs, with 84.2 percent passing both sections of the exam on their first attempt. That’s 9 percentage points better than five years ago.

The graduating Class of 2014 earned \$27.8 million in college scholarships, a dramatic increase from \$11.1 million only five years ago.

Ninety-four percent of our middle and high school student athletes maintained their academic eligibility to participate in interscholastic sports under a new district academic requirement that athletes meet a 2.0 minimum grade point average. The average GPA district-wide for middle school athletes was 3.47. For high school athletes, it was 3.46.

Numerous staff positions have been cut district-wide over the past four years, with the largest reductions coming in district office staff. Innovative conservation practices saved more than a 15 million kilowatt-hours of electricity in 2013 over 2006 levels, and water use decreased from 58 million gallons in 2006 to 51 million gallons in 2013.

Our “Connect2Learn” 1-to-1 computer technology initiative is putting personal mobile devices in the hands of all students in grades 3-12. In addition, we have begun construction on two new schools to serve students in the fast-growing Bluffton community.

We are determined to accelerate our academic progress, and we thank you for supporting our school district, our students and our educators.

Jeffrey Moss, Ed.D, Superintendent